

Title: Factors that Affect Mask Wearing Behavior During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Abstract:

Mask wearing is an integral part of many public health interventions, such as the one combating the COVID-19 pandemic. This is because of scientific evidence demonstrating how proper mask wearing behavior can reduce the transmission of viral particles. Although mask wearing is recommended and even mandated by scientists and governments worldwide in response to this pandemic, some communities are more likely than others to adopt this recommended practice. There are many potential causes for this, including logistical problems with access to vaccines, access to correct information regarding vaccines, prior experience with similar pandemics, and the culture of communities. This study will go into depth of these factors.